

CHAPTER NO. 123

HOUSE BILL NO. 470

By Representative Fowlkes

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 276

By Senator Burchett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 7, relative to the training of dog guides.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-7-112, is amended by designating the present subdivision (a)(1)(B) as (a)(1)(B)(i) and by adding the following language as a new subdivision (a)(1)(B)(ii):

(ii) For purposes of this section, "dog guide in training" shall include dogs being raised for an accredited school for training dog guides, provided that a dog being raised for such purpose is (1) being held on a leash and is under the control of its raiser or trainer who shall have available for inspection credentials from the accredited school for which the dog is being raised, and (2) wearing a collar, leash, or other appropriate apparel or device that identifies such dog with the accredited school for which it is being raised. "Dog guide in training" shall also include the socialization process that occurs with such dog's trainer or raiser prior to the dog's advanced training, provided that such socialization process is under the authorization of an accredited school.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 28, 2003


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 13th day of May 2003


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR